



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Billing-Medel et al.

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For: REAGENTS AND METHODS USEFUL FOR DETECTING DISEASES OF THE

BREAST

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Examiner: Arthur, L.

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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the restriction requirement included within the Office Action of March 25,

1999, Applicants respectfully elect Group I (i.e., claims 1-10, 30, 33, 35, 38 and 39), with traverse.

Should the Examiner have any questions concerning the above, she is respectfully requested to contact the undersigned at the telephone number listed below.

Respectfully submitted, Billing-Medel et al.

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TRANSMITTAL LETTER

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

Enclosed herewith is a Response to Restriction Requirement of Billing-Medel *et al.*, for REAGENTS AND METHODS USEFUL FOR DETECTING DISEASE OF THE BREAST, the specification of which was filed on November 17, 1997 and received Serial No. 08/962,094.

Also enclosed are:

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The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees concerning this transaction, or to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 01-0025. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted, Patricia A. Billing-Medel *et al.*

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